I.C.P.O. Calendar

Mar 30 - Apr 07, 2006

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Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year).
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30/03/2006: Oleg, KD7WPJ/UR5BCP, has announced that his DXpedition to the island of St Lucia scheduled for March 30th through April 5th has been postponed. Further details to follow. [Tnx UR5BCP/KD7WPJ]

30/03/2006: Orlando, PY2TJ/PT2OP, will operate as ZV0F from Fernando de Noronha (SA-003, DIB-01 for the Brazilian islands award, Code OC-01, WLOTA LH-1208) between March 30 and April 4, 2006. Look for activity on all bands and modes. QSL via PT2OP, direct prefered (with SASE/SAE + 2 IRCs or US$ 2) [Orlando Perez Filho, SHIGS 706 - Bloco L - Casa 22, 70350-762 - Bras?-lia - DF, Brazil] or bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

31/03/2006: Operators Sarla/VU2SWS, Micky/VU2IZO, Jaiprakash/VU2JPN, Nand/VU2NKS, Mur/VU2MTT and Pai/VU2PAI will be QRV as AT0AI from Arnala Island (AS-169) between March 31st and April 2nd. Activity will be on all bands SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL's can be sent via VU2PAI (Ananth G. Pai, Post Box 730, Bharath Beedi Works Ltd, Mangalore 575 003, India). [Tnx VU2PAI]

31/03/2006: Klaus, DF2GN/p, will activate Kochelsberg summit (SOTA DL/BW-049, 993M) March 31st starting around 0830z. Look for activity on 7.030 MHz CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

31/03/2006: Richard, G3CWI/p, will activate Kinder Scout summit (SOTA G/SP-001, 636M) March 31st starting around 1100z. Look for activity on 7.030 MHz CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

31/03/2006: Look for Davide/IW9GUR, Angelo/IW9HLM, Riccardo/IT9CVO, Andrea/IT9RKR and Andrea/IW9HQP to be signing IE9/homecall from Ustica Island (EU-051, IIA PA-001, MIA MI-116, WLOTA LH-0848) from March 31st to April 2nd. They plan to have three stations active on all bands except 30 metres, plus 6 meters. [Tnx 425 DXN]

01/04/2006: Luc, ON7KEC, will be working in the Democratic Republic of Congo from early April until the end of July. He plans to operate on the amateur radio bands as 9Q/ON7KEC in his spare time. QSL via home call. [Tnx 425 DXN]

01/04/2006: Wolfgang, DH3ZK/p, will activate Ebersberg summit (SOTA DL/HE-026 670M, WW Loc. JO40WL), Hesse region, on April 1st. Look for activity on 40 and 2 meter SSB, starting around 1000z. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

01/04/2006: Jean Michel, F1SH/p, will activate the Chateau Morue [Castle Cod] (DFCF 71-091 for the French castles award) on April 1st. Look for activity on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct (Jean Michel Hareng, 16 Rue Thon Avrilien, F-71600 Poisson, France) or bureau. [Tnx IK1AWV]

01/04/2006: Juan, F5IRC/p, will activate the Mill of Sainte Opportune la Mare (DMF 27-021 for the French mills award), Canton (County): DDCF 27-29, Postal code: CP 27680, Department: Eure/27, Province of High Normandy, on April 1st. Activity will be on 3685 SSB kHz (+/-) starting at 0800z and then QSY to 40 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/04/2006: Francois/F5JNE and Claude/F5MCC will use the callsign F5JNE/p to activate the Castle of Rosieres (Troyes suburbs) on April 1st. The references are - Castle: DFCF 10-017, Canton: 7th of Troyes, DDCF 10-32, Postal Code: 10430, Department: Aube/10 and Province: Champagne Ardennes. Under Jean Pierre, F5FNA's agreement, the central frequency on 80m has been choosen to be 3650 kHz (+/-). As usualy, starting around 0600z, 80/SSB then if possible 40 CW/SSB. QSL bureau preferred and SWL cards are welcome. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/04/2006: Patrick, F8DYD/p, plans to activate the Bird Tower (DFCF 86-024 for the French castles award) and the Tisons Water Mill (DMF 86-010 for the French mills award), canton (county) of Poitiers (86-34), City of Poitiers (CP 86000), Department of Vienne (DDFM 86), Poitou Charente (DPF 19) on April 1st. Look for activity on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F8DYD]

01/04/2006: Piero, I1ASU/p, will be QRV April 1st from the Real Castle of Cassotto to Garessio (DCI CN-120 for the Italian castles award), the Tower of the Castle of Bagnasco (DCI CN-016), the Castle of Pamparato (DCI CN-190) and the Castelluccio of Pamparato (DCI CN-191), Region of Piemonte, Province of Cuneo (CN). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/04/2006: Fulvio, I1EEW/p, will be QRV April 1st from the White Castle or Fort of Ceva (DCI CN-074 for the Italian castles award), the Red Castle of Ceva (DCI CN-076) and the Tower Guelfa of Ceva (DCI CN-077), Region of Piemonte, Province of Cuneo (CN). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/04/2006: Salvatore, IK1AWV/p, will be QRV April 1st from the Tower of the Village Medioevale of Garessio (DCI CN-121 for the Italian castles award) and the Tower Saracena of Barchi to Ormea (DCI CN-187), Region of Piemonte, Province of Cuneo (CN). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/04/2006: Renato, IZ0HLY/p, plans to activate the Castello delle Formiche di Otricoli [Castle of the Ants of Otricoli] (DCI reference TR-069 for the Italian castles award) on April 1st starting around 0800z. The castle is located in the Region of Umbria, Province of Terni (TR). Look for activity on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx IZ0HLY]

01/04/2006: 27 new USI's in 26 States plus DC planned for April and May - Ralph, NM5RC, says "Leaving 01 APR 06 for 10,000 mile trip through LA, MS, AL, FL, GA, SC, NC, VA, WV, MD, DC, DE, NJ, PA, CT, MA, RI, NY, VT, NH, ME, WI, MN, IA, ND, SD and NE. Before returning to Albuquerque on May 31st hope to activate 27 new USI's in these states plus DC. Mainly 20 meters. Usually mornings, but some days two states/islands and a very few only afternoon operation. No firm schedule due to weather, travel and rest. All contacts and help will be greatly appreciated. If you hear me, please post me on the web. Will send cards to all contacts by mid-July. If you only need a couple of these states to complete your

WAS-USI, willing to try to drop you email notices and try different frequency, and to extent practical make slight adjustment in schedule; contact me direct by email (nm5rc@msn.com)." QSL via home call. [Tnx NM5RC]

01/04/2006: The Radio Club of Passendale will be active from the castle De Ghellinck (BCA reference OV-032 for the Belgian castles award) at Elsegem from April 1st 10:00 UTC until April 2nd 2006 14:00 UTC (NON STOP). The QRA locator is JO10ST and the castle is situated along the route to Kortrijk in Elsegem. The castle goes back to the 16th century and became the property of the family De Gellinck around 1718. Although the castle was surrounded with water it was not really fortified. As so may castles it was pillaged during the French revolution. In the 19th century there have been many structural alterations. During both World Wars there was a lot of damage. After the Second World War the castle wasn't used any more and in 1973 the whole building burned down. The community of Wortegem Petegem obtained the castle and the park. The remaining buildings are being restored for the moment but financial problems slow down the project. For the event in April 2006 we have obtained the special call ON7G. The club will be active mainly on 80, 40 and 20 meter SSB and also on local 2 meter FM. QSL via ON4MRX, bureau or direct with SAE + 1 IRC or e-QSL. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/04/2006: Berkin Aydogmus, TA3J, will be QRV on 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 2 meters and WARC bands, all modes, between April 1-22nd (in good weather conditions) from Antalya - Sican Adasi (Rat Island) (AS-115, MIA MTC-099, WW Loc. KM56JU) using the callsign TA3J/0. QSL via Nilay Mine Aydogmus, TA3YJ, direct at P.O. Box 876, 35214 Izmir - TURKEY (only SASE and 1 IRC, no green stamps please) or by the bureau. No eQSL. SWL QSL cards are OK. [Tnx F5NQL]

02/04/2006: Wolfgang, DH3ZK/p, will activate Wachtk?ppel summit (SOTA DL/HE-027 670M, WW Loc. JO40WL), Hesse region, on April 2nd. Look for activity on 40, 20 and 2 meter SSB, starting around 1100z. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

02/04/2006: Club station "SOTA" will be active using the special call DK0SOTA from Wachtk?ppel summit (SOTA DL/HE-027 670M, WW Loc. JO40WL), Hesse region, on April 2nd. Activity will be on 40, 20 and 2 meter SSB, starting around 1100z. QSL via the DARC bureau, or operators' instructions. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

03/04/2006: John, K9EL, will be QRV from the island of St. Martin (NA-105, DIFO FS-001) as FS/K9EL from April 3-11th. He will be using an IC735 barefoot and vertical antennas for 10 through 80 meters. No PSK or RTTY. QSL to home call. [Tnx K9EL]

03/04/2006: A group of UBA members (Antwerp section OSA) will be activating the Nieuwschouwen (West Schouwen) lighthouse (ARLHS NET-029) from 3 to 7 April 2006. They will be on Schouwen Duivenland so all contacts are also valid for IOTA reference EU-146. Look for them on all HF bands and all modes. The clubcall used will be PA/ON4OSA. The operators will be ON4AWT, ON4CF, ON6JK and any other member of our radio club that shows up on the facility. QSL via ON4AWT. Further information can be found at http://users.fulladsl.be/spb16176/aktivi/06net029/06net029.htm [Tnx ON4AWT]

04/04/2006: A German team consisting of Walt/DJ0FX (JS6QFP), Joe/DL2DX (JA1PPB), and YL Karin/DL9DYL are expected to be active from the Ogasawara Archipelago (AS-031) between April 4-18th. The group is trying to obtain JD1 callsign and currently does not know their callsigns. Activity will be on all bands on CW, SSB, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via their home calls. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

05/04/2006: Look for Marco, EA1APV, to be active as HR5/EA1APV from the Copan Ruins, Honduras, April 5-6th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

06/04/2006: Rag, LA6FJA, will operate as DU1/KI4KJP from Luzon Island, Philippines (OC-042, WLOTA LH-0081), between April 6th and May 1st. Activity will be on 80, 40, 30, 20 and 17 meter CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via WY4N (QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

06/04/2006: Geoff, G0PFH, will operate as GX2UG from Holy Island [Lindisfarne] (EU-120) from April 6-8th. Look for activity on 40 and 20 meter SSB only. QSL via G2UG (QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

07/04/2006: Fernando, EA1BT, will be active on all bands as 5T6BT from Mauritania between April 7-16th. QSL via EA4URE, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

07/04/2006: Simon, M0BOX, plans a second and final holiday trip to the Maldives. Look for him to be active April 7-20th as 8Q7BO from the Kuredu Island Resort (AS-018). Activity will be on all bands 40 through 10 meters, WARD included, in his spare time. Simon will concentrate on the digital modes, mainly PSK31 plus RTTY and maybe SSTV if requested, and of course SSB. He will NOT be accepting SKED requests before activation, however, Simon hopes this time to connect to the DX Cluster to advise operation frequency and mode. QSL via home call. Further information and updates can be found at http://www.btinternet.com/~m0box/ . [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

07/04/2006: Marco, EA1APV, plans to activate Roatan Island (NA-057, WLOTA LH-1671), Honduras, as HR6/EA1APV between April 7-14th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx HG3K]

07/04/2006: Daniel, DL5YWM, will be in Lima, Peru again and will be active as OA4/DL5YWM from April 7-30th. Activity will be limited to his freetime on CW/SSB. Daniel reports that he will try 160m and 80m but it is difficult because of the very high QRM level in Lima City. QSL to his homecall using the QRZ.com address. [Tnx OPDX]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

15/04/2006: Operators Mike/DK6QW, Claus/DF8QJ and Reinhard/DL6YFB will be active as OZ/homecall from Fanoe Island (EU-125, NS-002 for the Danish islands award) from April 15-22nd. They plan to operate on 80-10 meter CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31 sporadically during the days. QSL via the operator's respective home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

19/04/2006: Guenter, DL2AWG, plans to be QRV from Port Villa, Vanuatu, New Hebrides (OC-035), between April 19th and May 1st. His call will bse YJ0AWG, if he can get it, or YJ0WG .. there is no information about this at the moment. Guenter will be using an FT-857 with a 300 watt amplifier into a triple leg antenna for 40-10 meters. Activity will be SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL via home call. [Tnx NG3K]

22/04/2006: Members of the Low Country Contest Club will be QRV as NU4SC from Folly Island (NA-110, SC-015S for the U.S. islands award, Charleston County), South Carolina, April 22nd and 23rd. They will activate the Morris Island lighthouse (ARLHS USA-515, WLH K-104 for The World Lighthouse Award - TWLHD) for the ARLHS Spring Lights QSO Party. The team will be located on the northwest end of Folly Island. Activity will be mostly SSB on the HF bands, usual IOTA and lighthouse frequencies. QSL via K3IXD, direct (QRZ.com) or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

30/04/2006: Operators Jim/WB9PZB, Carol/WB9PZA and Jerry/WB9ONU will be active as WB9PZB/4 from Santa Rosa Island (NA-142, FL-003S for the U.S. islands award, Escambia/Okaloosa Counties), Florida, between April 30th and May 4th. Look for them to be QRV on 3.765 MHz (+/-) OR 7.265 MHz (+/-) 1400z to 1600z and on 14.265 MHz (+/-) 1700z to 1900z. This is a vacation trip so they may not be on the air all times or days. QSL direct to WB9PZB (QRZ.com) with SASE for domestic return and SAE + Green Stamps for DX. Further information can be found at www.qsl.net/wb9pzb/na-142.htm [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

14/05/2006: Hellmuth, DF7XE, will be operating as EA6/DF7XE from Isla de Formentera (DIE E-024, MIA MB-002, WLOTA LH-1148), Balearic Islands (EU-004), May 14-26th. Activity will be on 80-10 meter SSB, CW, PSK31 and RTTY. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ

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